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Office Action Summary

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- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 21 December 2007.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-14 and 17-25 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-14, 17-25 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
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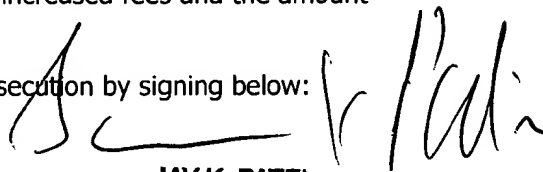
1. Claims 1-14, 17-25 are pending.
2. In view of the Appeal Brief filed on 8/27/07, PROSECUTION IS HEREBY REOPENED. The Non-Final Office Action set forth below.

To avoid abandonment of the application, appellant must exercise one of the following two options:

(1) file a reply under 37 CFR 1.111 (if this Office action is non-final) or a reply under 37 CFR 1.113 (if this Office action is final); or,

(2) initiate a new appeal by filing a notice of appeal under 37 CFR 41.31 followed by an appeal brief under 37 CFR 41.37. The previously paid notice of appeal fee and appeal brief fee can be applied to the new appeal. If, however, the appeal fees set forth in 37 CFR 41.20 have been increased since they were previously paid, then appellant must pay the difference between the increased fees and the amount previously paid.

A Supervisory Patent Examiner (SPE) has approved of reopening prosecution by signing below:


JAY K. PATEL
SUPERVISORY PATENT EXAMINER

Response to Arguments

3. Applicant's arguments, see pages 11-20, filed 8/27/07, with respect to the rejection(s) of claim(s) 1-14 and 17-25 under Katinsky has been fully considered and are persuasive. Therefore, the rejection has been withdrawn. However, upon further consideration, a new ground(s) of rejection is made in view of Walker.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

Claims 1-14, 17-25 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Walker et al [Walker 2002/0065848 A1].

4. As per claim 1, Walker discloses a data display system implemented by configuring generic client software, the data display system comprising:

a data display frame configured to display a current data record [Walker, configured to display, 0382; current slide, 0161]; and

a data list frame configured to display a first set of data identifiers and having a current data identifier marker for indicating a current data identifier corresponding to the current data record [Walker, the collection of slides, 0059; Slide identifier, 0096; the container is marked, 0441; identify their status, 0385];

a data frame lock that indicates whether the data display frame contains a valid data page [Walker, container lock handle, 0069; valid field, 0107; the web page, 0235];
and

a data frame list frame lock that indicates whether the data list frame contains a valid data page [Walker, the list of containers, 0070; a container lock handle, a container ID, 0114];

wherein the data display frame and the data list frame can facilitate accessing server software over a wide are network [Walker, a web server, 0050; Internet, 0149], and wherein the data display frame and the data list frame are synchronized over the wide are network using the data display frame lock and the data list frame lock [Walker, synchronization locks, 0274; a user locks paragraphs in the list of child containers, the lock button, 0380].

5. As per claim 2, Walker discloses a parent frame containing the data display frame and the data list frame [Walker, the parent container and child container, 0066, 0107, 0110].

6. As per claim 3, Walker discloses the parent frame further comprises a plurality of command scripts list command [Walker, Lock button, Cut button, Paste button, 0372-0377].
7. As per claim 4, Walker discloses the data display frame further comprises a next button associated with a next command script from the plurality of command scripts [Walker, the next and previous, 0070, scrolls up and down, 0369].
8. As per claim 5, Walker discloses the data display frame further comprises a previous button associated with a previous command script from the plurality of command scripts [Walker, next and previous, 0070, scrolls up and down, 0369].
9. As per claim 6, Walker discloses the next command script is configured to request a new current data record [Walker, the currently valid, 0431].
10. As per claim 7, Walker discloses the next command script is also configured to update the current data identifier marker [Walker, updated automatically, 0325].
11. As per claim 8, Walker discloses the next command script is also configured to request a second set of data identifiers when the current data record corresponds to a last data identifier in the first set of data identifiers [Walker, current valid container, 0431; next and previous, 0070].
12. As per claim 9, Walker discloses the current data identifier marker is an arrow [Walker, marker, 0441].
13. As per claim 10, Walker discloses the current data identifier marker is signified by highlighting the current data identifier [Walker, current slide with ID, 0467].

14. As per claim 11, Walker discloses the data list frame includes a set of status markers for the set of data identifiers [Walker, the container is marked, 0441; identify their status, 0385].

15. As per claim 12, Walker discloses the data display system is an email client [Walker, email, 0286].

16. As per claim 13, Walker discloses the generic client software is a web browser [Walker, web browser, 0232].

17. As per claim 14, Walker discloses A method of configuring generic client software to synchronize a first frame with a second frame, the method comprising:
creating a parent frame including the first frame and the second frame, wherein the first and second frames resemble a portion of a display window created using custom client software [Walker, container for each slide, 0156; create a parent container, 0329; new child container, 0395; multiple windows, 0464];
storing a plurality of commands for the first frame and the second frame in the parent frame [Walker, Lock button, Cut button, Paste button, 0372-0377]
storing a plurality of variables for the first frame and the second frame in the parent frame [Walker, variables, 0103];
displaying a first set of data identifiers in the first frame [Walker, a parent container with slides, 0470; multiple windows, 0464]; displaying a current data record in the second frame [Walker, current slide with ID, 0467; multiple windows, 0464];
placing a current data record identifier next to a current data identifier corresponding to

the current data record [Walker, next and previous, 0070, scrolls up and down, 0369];
and

storing indicators of lock states for the first frame and the second frame in the parent frame, wherein storing the indicators of lock states and the plurality of commands and variables allows synchronization of the first and second frames being sent over a wide area network [Walker, synchronization locks, 0274; lock button, 0380; indicator, 0468].

18. Claims 17-25 contain the identical limitations set forth of apparatus claims 2-13 respectively. Therefore, claims 14,17-25 are rejected for the similar rationale set forth in claims 2-13.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Thong H. Vu whose telephone number is 571-272-3904. The examiner can normally be reached on 6:00-3:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jay Patel can be reached on 571-272-2988. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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